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Tender

Supported Lodgings Services: Semi-independent Accommodation and Support

Swindon Borough Council

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Scope

Reference

DN801486

Description

Swindon Borough Council invites prospective bidders from suitably qualified and experienced service providers to bid for the provision of Supported Lodgings Services: Semi-independent Accommodation and Support.

Project Description

Supported Lodgings is a provision for young people aged 16 and over, offering them the opportunity to live in the home of a host. This could be an individual, a couple or a family. It's a unique provision designed to help young people prepare for adulthood with the right balance of guidance and autonomy. It's often used for care leavers, separated and

migrant children, or young people at risk of homelessness.

As corporate parents, Swindon Borough Council is committed to providing sufficient, appropriate, high-quality accommodation and support for the children we care for (CWCF, 16-18) and care experienced young people (CEYP, 18-21). We also have a duty to provide accommodation and support to young people who are, or are at risk of, homelessness.

The supplier will be responsible for recruiting, managing and funding hosts. This is then for the supplier to match referrals, place children and manage the placements alongside the hosts. The supplier shall also manage the hosts. The supplier must also be registered with Ofsted for this type of provision.

Hosts are responsible for; offering the accommodation and support to the young person placed. The Supplier is to oversee and manage both the host and child placed. Please see the Specification for more information.

The Council is seeking to award a single supplier, with a contract to provide Supported Lodgings, accommodation and support services, which will provide 9 standard beds and 2 emergency beds. This requirement will not be divided into 'Lots'. TUPE does apply to this contract.

The initial contract term will be for 36 months with an option to extend for a further 24 months in 12-month increments (2 periods of 12 months) for a potential total contract term of 5 years as stated in the ITT documents. Estimated contract spend is between £400,000 and £450,000 across the initial 3-year contract term and between £700,000 and £730,158.20 across the potential total 5-year contract term (if extensions are used).

Full details relating to the Services are provided in the tender documents.

To participate, Suppliers will need to Register as a Supplier with ProContract, www.supplyingthesouthwest.org.uk, then Register an Interest before obtaining access to the tender documents. In the event of difficulties registering as a supplier, please refer to the System Administrator Proactis support team ProContractSuppliers@proactis.com

Tender clarifications to be submitted in writing via Messaging in ProContract tender portal by 23/01/2026 (12:00 midday) UK Local time. The Council's responses to these clarification questions will be issued periodically on the ProContract tender portal.

Tender Responses are required to be submitted no later than 30/01/2026 (12:00 midday) UK Local time via ProContract tender portal -

<https://www.supplyingthesouthwest.org.uk/>

Please note that this project has been advertised on Find a Tender Service (FTS) and Supplying the South West Portal, <https://www.supplyingthesouthwest.org.uk/>

Suppliers will be required to register their interest on the South West Portal and access the tender documents which are provided free of charge and bearing project ID DN801486

Total value (estimated)

- £730,158.20 excluding VAT
- £876,189.84 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 June 2026 to 31 May 2029
- Possible extension to 31 May 2031
- 5 years

Description of possible extension:

Option to extend contract for 2 x 12 months in annual increments at the end of the initial term.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 85311000 - Social work services with accommodation
- 85311300 - Welfare services for children and young people

Contract locations

- UKK14 - Swindon

Submission

Enquiry deadline

6 February 2026, 12:00pm

Tender submission deadline

13 February 2026, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

In order to provide unrestricted, full, direct and free of charge access to the tender documents the Authority is providing the documents in the Attached area of the ProContract e-tendering portal at www.supplyingthesouthwest.org.uk.

In order to access amendable versions of the documents and to submit a response Suppliers will need to Register as a Supplier with ProContract as www.supplyingthesouthwest.org.uk, then Register an Interest before obtaining access and download the Word and Excel format Documents for completion and submission.

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

1 May 2026

Award criteria

Name	Type	Weighting
Price	Price	30%
Host Recruitment and Retention	Quality	10%
Safeguarding	Quality	10%
Performance	Quality	10%
Young Person's Voice	Quality	10%
Emergency Bed Question	Quality	10%
Social Value Question	Quality	10%
Journey to Independence	Quality	5%
Barriers to Participation	Quality	5%

Other information

Applicable trade agreements

- Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Special regime

Light touch

Contracting authority

Swindon Borough Council

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PNPT-6195-XDWV

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Region: UKK14 - Swindon

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government